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Application Number	10/678,513
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First Named Inventor	Werner Juengling
Examiner Name	Brook Kebede
Art Unit	2823
Attorney Docket No.	MI22-2391

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	0.00
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	0.00
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	0.00
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	0
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	0.00

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
31	- 20 or HP = 7	x 50.00 =	350.00

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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
6	- 3 or HP = 0	x 0.00 =	0.00

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
	0.00	0.00

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Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	0.00
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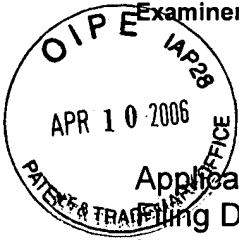
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Examiner ..... Brook Kebede  
Attorney's Docket No. .... MI22-2391  
Customer No. .... 021567  
Title: Semiconductor Processing Methods of Forming a Contact Opening to a Conductive  
Line and Methods of Forming Substrate Active Area Source/Drain Regions

**EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY OF APRIL 6, 2006**

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Applicant's representative held an interview with Examiner Kebede on April 6, 2006.


Regarding the §112 rejection against claims 58 and 62 for allegedly lacking written description, Applicant's representative attempted to demonstrate the written description support provided by the originally-filed application. Examiner Kebede requested that Applicant's representative put the arguments in a subsequently-filed response.

Regarding the pending rejections based on alleged prior art against independent claims 48 and 50, Applicant's representative attempted to demonstrate, respectfully, the

anticipation rejections were improper. Examiner Kebede requested that Applicant's representative put the arguments in a subsequently-filed response.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 4-10-06

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